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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed January 12, 2006, said period of response being extended from April 12, 2006 to July 12, 2006. This Petition is being filed to maintain co-pendency with a Continuation-in-part application filed concurrently herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502775, for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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